DEPARTMENT OF STATE REVENUE

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ISSUE

I. Income Tax—Income From Real Estate Sale

Authority: 45 IAC 1.1-2-4

Taxpayer protests the imposition of income tax on proceeds from the sale of real estate.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

Taxpayer is in the business of renting commercial real estate. Taxpayer has rental property in Indiana and several surrounding states. The property is rented to partnerships all in the same business. Taxpayer sold the property to the partnerships at cost at the end of 1997. Taxpayer filed a final return for 1997 and has been inactive since that time. The Indiana Department of Revenue ("Department") conducted an audit for tax years 1995, 1996 and 1997. As a result of this audit, the Department issued a proposed assessment for gross income tax on the proceeds from the sale of real estate located in Indiana in 1997. Taxpayer protested the assessment. Further facts will be supplied as necessary.

DISCUSSION

Taxpayer owned and sold real estate in Indiana. Taxpayer protested the imposition of gross income tax on the sale of real estate in Indiana. 45 IAC 1.1-2-4(a)(4)(B) explains that taxable gross income from the sale of real estate is subject to the high rate of tax. Since first filing its protest in this matter, taxpayer has decided not to further protest this assessment.

FINDING

Taxpayer's protest is denied.

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